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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Claims 1-31 are amended.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Security device for holding items, comprising:
a first security member, and
a second security member, ~~which wherein the first and second~~ security members may be joined to ~~are engaged at~~ a closed position for retaining an item,
a lock slide displaceable to a locked position for maintaining the security device in the closed position, and
~~a latch means for maintaining the locking mechanism lock slide in the locked position,~~
~~wherein said latch means forming an integral part of is integrally formed as a portion of said lock slide.~~
2. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is displaceably mounted to said first security member, and wherein said latch ~~means are~~ is devised to engage with a stop member ~~cooperating means~~, arranged on said second security member, in said locked position.
3. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 2, wherein said latch ~~means~~ comprises a spring blade extending from a principal plane of said lock slide.
4. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 3, wherein said spring blade is devised to engage with a ~~the~~ stop member, arranged on said second security member, in said locked position.
5. (Currently Amended) The security device ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4, wherein said stop member is a shoulder portion on said second security member.

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6. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 4, wherein said stop member is a recessed portion on said second security member.
7. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 4, comprising two or more spring blades and two or more corresponding stop members, spaced apart along said lock slide.
8. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is made from a resilient magnetic material.
9. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is displaceably mounted to said first security member and has a protruding tooth, wherein said tooth engaging engages with a projecting tab on said second security member in said locked position.
10. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said first security member has a first projecting tab, and said second security member has a second projecting tab, wherein said second projecting tab passes devised to pass adjacent to said first tab when assuming said closed position, wherein said lock slide has a protruding tooth assuming a position between and at least partly overlapping said first and second tabs in said locked position.
11. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 9, wherein said tooth is a bent out portion of said lock slide, protruding from a principal plane of said lock slide.
12. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 9, wherein a plurality of teeth and tabs are provided, spaced apart along said lock slide.
13. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said security members are devised to partly enclose a retained item in the closed position.

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14. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said security members are devised to completely enclosed enclose a retained item in the closed position.
15. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said security members are ~~devised to be~~ joined and locked to each other at respective first ends, and are hinged together at respective second ends opposite said first ends.
16. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said security members are ~~devised to be~~ joined and locked to each other at respective first ends, and devised to be hooked together at respective second ends opposite said first ends.
17. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said security members are ~~devised to be~~ joined and locked to each other at respective first ends, and at respective second ends opposite said first ends.
18. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said first security member is a base member and said second security member is a lid member, which wherein said base and lid members form a box-like structure in said closed position.
19. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 18, wherein said base member has a front wall carrying said lock slide on an inner side thereof, and said lid member has a front wall positioned on an inner side of said lock slide in said locked position.
20. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 19, wherein said lid member has a flange projecting from the front wall thereof, which wherein said flange in said closed position engages with the front wall of said base member and encloses the lock slide in said box-like structure.
21. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, wherein said lock slide is devised with maneuver means further comprises a maneuver member projecting through an aperture in a side portion of said first security member.

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22. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 1, the device further comprising an alarm tag.
23. (Currently Amended) Security device for holding items, comprising:
a first security member, and
a second security member including a stop member, which wherein the first and second security members may be joined to are engaged at a closed position for retaining an item,
a lock slide displaceable to a locked position for maintaining the security device in the closed position, and
a latch means for maintaining the locking mechanism lock slide in the locked position, wherein said latch means are is carried on said first security member, and are devised is configured to engage with cooperating means on said second security member the stop member in said locked position.
24. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 23, wherein said latch means comprises a spring blade extending from a principal plane of said lock slide.
25. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 23, wherein said latch means are is integral with said lock slide.
26. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 24, wherein said spring blade is devised to engage with a the stop member arranged on said second security member in said locked position.
27. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 26, comprising two or more spring blades and two or more corresponding stop members, space spaced apart along said lock slide.
28. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 26, wherein said stop member is a shoulder portion on said second security member.

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29. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 26, wherein said stop member is a recessed portion on said second security member.
30. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 23, wherein said latch means are made from resilient magnetic material.
31. (Currently Amended) The security device as claimed in of claim 23, the device further comprising an alarm tag.